## RECEIVED CENTRAL FAX CENTER

DEC 2 9 2004

Appln. No. 09/868,482 Amendment dated December 29, 2004 Reply to Office Action of October 5, 2004

Attorney Docket No. 01381/LH

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant

: Ryusuke YAMAGUCHI

Serial No.

: 09/888,482

Filed

: June 25, 2001

For

: DOCUMENT READING APPARATUS WHICH PREVENTS A DISCREPANCY

BETWEEN THE READING RESULTS

OBTAINED IN DIFFERENT

READING MODES (As Amended)

Art Unit

: 2622

Examiner

: Heather D. Gibbs

Confirm. No.: 9125

Customer No.: 01933

## AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

## SIR:

This is responsive to the Office Action dated October 5, 2004, the term for response to which expires January 5, 2005.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 20 of this paper.

CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION TO NO.703-872-9306

TOTAL PAGES: 24

I hereby certify that this paper is being facsimile transmitted to the Commissioner for Patents Office on the date noted below.

Marilyn Stults

Dated: December 29. 2004

In the event that this Paper is late filed, and the necessary petition for extension of time is not filed concurrently herewith. please consider this as a Petition for the requisite extension of time, and to the extent not tendered by check attached hereto, authorization to charge the extension fee to Account No. 06-1378.